

MINUTES OF THE EMERY COUNTY COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AGENCY EMERY COUNTY, UTAH

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PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the **EMERY COUNTY COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AGENCY** will meet at **10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 9th, 2024** in the **Emery County Courthouse Commission Chambers, 75 East Main Street, Castle Dale, Utah.**

IN ATTENDANCE: Commissioner Jordan Leonard, Commissioner Lynn Sitterud, Todd Huntington, Jay Mark Humphrey (EWCD), Jacob Sharp, Natalie Olsen, Josie Stilson, Brenda Tuttle

Online Participation:

MEETING MINUTES

1. Discuss/Approve/Deny January 2024 Meeting Minutes:

JayMark made a motion to approve the January 2024 meeting minutes with a second from Lynn. Voting was unanimous.

2. Discuss/Approve/Deny the Hunter Solar Distribution totals for each entity and participant:

Sheri with UAC discussed the \$2500 admin fee and also the 5% difference between the Interlocal agreement and the participation agreement. Their recommendation at this time is that the agency hold that 5% until they can reconcile the differences between those and determine what the appropriate use is. Based on that information are the numbers that are provided and were given to each board member. It goes back and recalculates the incentive based upon that understanding for 2021, 2022 and 2023.

Lynn said the original thoughts for the 5% was to be used for administrative fees for the county. Sheri will look into that and the board can discuss what exactly to do with that 5% since it is administrative fees.

Jacob made a motion to approve the solar distribution totals for each entity and participant as outlined with a second from Todd. Voting was unanimous.

3. Discuss Any Other Business and next meeting:

JayMark asked what happened to the Green River housing project? Sheri said the distribution was made to Green River. Jordan thought it would be a good idea for them to come back in a few months and report/follow up on their project.

Lynn asked if buying water shares as a county to have available for purchase to people that want to build in our area would be an appropriate way to spend the affordable housing money from solar. He thinks that one of the reasons we don't have more buildings in the area is because people can't buy or find water shares.

Jordan said the mayors of the cities talked about needing money for planning. They need help planning if an area is available to build. They need engineers to help plan out what the housing project would be. We can keep that in mind as well.

JayMark said some of the cities could have a better approach for growth. Water is the holdup. Everyone thinks about it and it will be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

Todd asked if the housing money could be built up and saved. Sheri said it can, she thought it had to be all spent 10 years after the project is done but she will double check on that.

Sheri said she has an update on the Castle Solar project. They are set to trigger within the next two weeks. Lynn said they are up and running and have been online for two weeks, they are at least moving. Whether they are producing power or not is not known. Todd said he will check with Liz. He has a conference call with her this afternoon.

4. Adjourn:

Lynn made a motion to adjourn the meeting.